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	First Inventor	Joseph S. Stam et al.
	Title	Image Acquisition And Processing Methods For Automatic Vehicular Exterior Lighting Control
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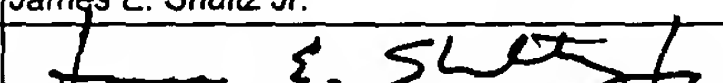
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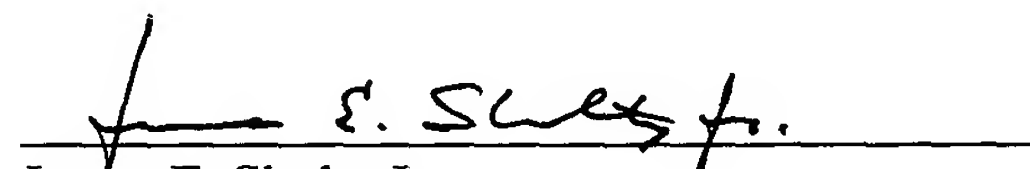
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Respectfully submitted,  
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